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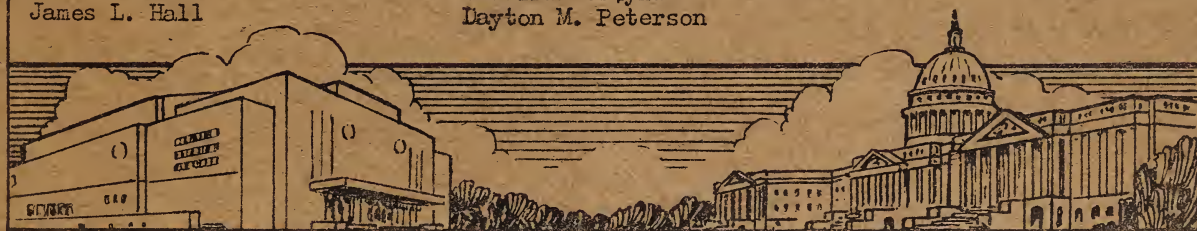
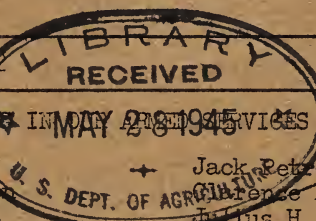
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WHERE IS OUR STANDING ARMY?

The FCA is a tight, self-contained little nation that lacks one thing--a standing army.

The FCA should have a standing army of volunteers. An army in constant readiness for the more and more frequent emergency calls from a community at war. In the present scrap-iron campaign appeals have been made week after week for volunteers at the scrap piles. There were enough FCA Dagwoods snoozing at home on the sofa to have whipped this job in short order.

The community is going to need more and more the services of volunteer labor battalions. Why doesn't the FCA have the best one there is? Here are 900 young, active, highly selected, intelligent, educated, and trained persons. A group that is far superior to a representative American community. The need for the untapped labor power of our 900 is becoming more definite every day. Scrap drives, victory gardens, farm labor, and other community challenges are at hand. We have many splendid leaders capable of the job of mobilizing and guiding our labor power.

What shall the answer be? A peacetime snore?

PARKINSON AWARDED SILVER STAR

Lieutenant Thomas C. Parkinson, Baltimore, Maryland, has been cited for gallantry in action against the Japanese in the South Pacific and awarded the Silver Star. Lieutenant Parkinson was co-pilot in a Liberator, part of a three-plane formation intercepted over Bali by eight Japanese Zeros. The American formation shot down two of the enemy fighters and damaged two others. All of us in FCA join with Lt. Parkinson's father, who is Secretary and Treasurer of the FICB of Baltimore, in gratification at his achievement and recognition. (LCM)

Strictly Personal



Library. Mrs. Pressgrove, Mr. MacLeod, and Miss Achauer were guests of the Kansas City Public Library staff at their annual autumn breakfast held on the patio of the Newbern Hotel.....Mrs. Pressgrove recently visited friends in the historic town of Lexington, Missouri.....Miss Achauer spent last weekend at her home in Warrensburg.

Mail Section. Leland Orr has been detailed to General Files.....Dick Robertson has been detailed to Tabulating.....Shirley Lipsey has been detailed as Legal Messenger.....Elizabeth Egy was absent for a few days due to sickness.....Mr. Broomfield acted as collection agent for the Community War Chest.....Among the new arrivals to the Mail Section are Patricia Thompson, Gladys C. Johnson, and Elsie Prevo.....Jim Grumbles, former teletype operator for the FCA, has written a letter to the boys in the Mail Section

telling of his new duties as Yeoman, Second Class, USN.....A few of the fellows roughed it up a bit on the gridiron a couple of Saturdays ago and found out that they had a few muscles that they had never been conscious of before.

Production Credit. Margaret and Betty Frew spent a recent weekend putting a home in readiness for their mother and two brothers who have arrived from Washington.....Madeline Brockman spent last weekend at her home in Junction City, Kansas.....Members of the Division, together with their wives, husbands, and children, held a picnic at Swope Park, Saturday afternoon (October 17). Everyone had a very enjoyable time.....Mrs. Gwendolyn Goode drove down to Columbia, Missouri, on Sunday (October 18) to spend the day with her daughter, Eleanor, who is attending Stephens College.

Solicitor's Office. Pauline Neider returned from a week in Hannibal, Missouri, and can now tell you all about nieces and nephews.....Louise Shear visited her husband at Greenville, Mississippi.....Frank Gallagher, Ruth Lane, and Doris Jenkins relaxed at home last week, getting ready for their winter program.

Revolving Fund. Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Bassen have recently returned from a trip to Colorado.....Joyce O'Neal is back from the hospital minus her tonsils, but plus an engagement ring.

Tabulating. Shirley Lupton recently visited her mother and grandmother in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Mrs. Lupton resides in Washington, D. C.....Marie Stormes has come back from her vacation in Oklahoma.....Theodore Taylor went to scenic Colorado for a little relaxation... Pauline Hanshaw visited her parents in Girard, Kansas on her vacation.....Jerry Vidlock is the father of a 7 pound 15 ounce boy born last month.

Stenographic. Alexis Murphy is leaving Kansas City to accept a position in the Liaison Office in Washington. A farewell luncheon was given in her honor at the Bellerive Hotel by her friends in FCA.... Margaret Sterling left Monday, October 12, for her home in Sheridan, Wyoming, where she will spend a very busy 2 weeks..... Rosemary Dawes has just returned from her vacation, 1 week of which was spent in St. Louis where she attended her fiance's graduation from the Army Air Corps Technical School.....Gertrude Spear will shortly return from Houston, Texas, where she has been visiting her brother.....Mrs. Mary Standen got away from the hustle and bustle of the work-a-day routine to spend a few days in Jefferson City.....Kenneth Lowe has been detailed to the Land Bank Division. We miss having him around, but we welcome our new messenger, Nigel Graham who was detailed from the Legal Division.

Finance and Accounts. E. W. Clark has returned to work after an extended absence.....Erma L. Dinger has returned from a 2-week vacation in her home, Washington, D. C.....William C. Eckstein is leaving for a 2-week vacation in California where he will visit his sister.....Virginia Galloway has returned from a week spent in Lindsborg, Kansas... Lucille Bateman has returned to work..... Walter Hein has returned from Washington, D. C.....Al Katz has returned from Washington a married man. He and Mrs. Katz are making their home here..... Ross Hansen is leaving for a 2-week stay at home corn husking and then Uncle Sam will claim him.

Personnel. Mrs. Donna Downey of Personnel Files has accepted a position in Washington.....Cliff Gaumer of Personnel Files has left for a visit at his home in Iowa before his induction into the Armed Forces.....Patricia Clark of the FCA in St. Louis is a new employee of the Personnel Division.....Gordon E. Van Leer of Des Moines, Iowa, and formerly with the Work Projects Administration in

Washington, is the new Chief of the Classification Unit.....Mildred Quimby is visiting her sister in Dallas, Texas, and is also spending a few days with relatives in St. Joseph, Missouri.....We've received news recently from Michael Sofchak who is now with the Marines in the Guadalcanal Zone of the Solomon Islands. "I'm still fortunate enough to be in A-1 shape despite some stirring adventures and experiences.".....Virginia Baker is spending a few days at her home in Winfield, Iowa.....W. L. Moore and John Francis are on a field trip to the FCA in New Orleans and Robert Coulter and C. J. Southworth to the FCA in St. Louis..... Although we have no marriages to report, several of our girls are wearing engagement rings--Shirley Arnold, Marie Zimm, Mary Francis Sandoval and Lela Siebert.

Intermediate Credit Division. Miss Jewel Hill is spending this week at her home in Russellville, Arkansas.

OUR WASHINGTON REPORTER

CR&S welcomes a new employee, Paul C. Wilkins, from Strasburg, Virginia..... Dr. W. W. Fetrow, Associate Chief, is at the time of this writing in Kansas City... Mr. Neptune Fogelberg has returned from a combined business and vacation trip to his home State of Utah....Mr. E. H. Hulbert has left for a trip to the Michigan woods to "investigate the pheasant, grouse, and quail situation"!... Mr. J. H. Heckman is detailed to OAWR and Mr. J. J. Scanlan is spending part time with CPA....Mrs. Jean Allen had a nice vacation in Atlanta, Georgia.

We were glad to see Dave Stanley the other day, when he dropped in en route to the "Army."...Mrs. Grace Stewart enjoyed a trip to New York City....Mrs. Morris (Bess Horton) has transferred to OEM..... A group of "old FCA employees" got together at a farewell luncheon in honor of Eva Stroupe who is transferring to OAWR, namely, Glen Wilbur, Dorothy Sherr,

Florence Sladen, Margaret Newton, Dorothy Peffer, Grace McGuire, and Edith Saxton.

The continued rains here have caused Rock Creek to overflow, closing the park roads, and the Potomac is in flood stage--over its banks--and this morning en route to work I saw benches, logs, and a small "Chris-Craft" cruiser torn loose from its moorings, floating down toward Alexandria!

A "GOOD GUY"

It's generally considered bad form to interrupt his line of thought with poorly timed humor, but brother, you're asking for trouble if you even suggest to one of the Co-op fellows that J. D. Lawrence is anything less than a "good guy."

Doug Lawrence knows cooperatives and human nature. Without ostentation, he helps the 12 district banks for cooperatives to operate in an efficient manner. He has his employees solidly behind him, ready to help him do whatever the job requires.

Because they know their boss will avoid unnecessary demands on them, will commend them for a well-done job, will listen to their problems and assist in their solution, and will be fair in all ways, Co-op employees will get in there and pitch for Doug Lawrence every time.

(There are plenty of other "good guys" in the FCA. If you know one, tell the editor; and don't forget that a "good guy" can be a woman).

GIRLS HAVE STUDY GROUP

An interesting winter is anticipated by some 20 FCA girls who expect to have their say about what goes on in this era of eventful days. Committees are busy planning a schedule of biweekly meetings at which discussions will develop on topics of current interest. The first meeting will be at the YWCA at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 22.

A study is being made of the various methods used by discussion groups on and off the air. The well-known panel, forum, symposium, and round-table media will be fitted to suitable subjects. An occasional debate will doubtless enliven the argumentative members. Each member will also gain experience in leading as well as participating in group discussion.

"The oratorical efforts of Cicero will certainly be equalled, if not surpassed, before our speaking season is over," remarked one enthusiastic committee chairman.

Members hail from many divisions of FCA, and include executives, lawyers, librarians, supervisors, and secretaries. The progress of such an ambitious and resourceful group will be followed with interest by the "Grapevine" and its readers. (RSH)

CREDIT UNION OFFERS ADDITIONAL SERVICE

The FCA Employees Federal Credit Union has recently been authorized to accept applications for Treasury Tax Savings Notes, Tax-Series A-1945, dated September 1, 1942. They are issued at par and accrued interest and are acceptable at par and accrued interest in payment of Federal income, estate, and gift taxes. These notes may be bought in \$25, \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000, and \$5,000 denominations. For further information and application blanks see Mrs. Walkington in the credit union office, room 2101A. (GAM)

THE CREDIT UNION WANTS YOUR IDEAS

Recognizing that "two heads are better than one" the directors of the FCA Employees Federal Credit Union recently addressed a letter to all the members asking for their suggestions and comments. Some very good suggestions have been submitted. The board welcomes these and urges other members to send in their comments. If you have any ideas on how the credit union can better serve FCA employees, put them down on paper and send them to J. B. Muller, Jr., president. (GAM)

SPANISH CLASSES

In the recent questionnaire filled out by employees of the Farm Credit Administration, 50 persons have

expressed interest in studying Spanish. Alma Day has been appointed Chairman of the Foreign Language Sub-committee, and she plans to hold a meeting soon to organize classes.

Inquiries have been made at the Mexican Consulate in order to obtain a teacher and plans are now under way to reserve a classroom. Deputy Commissioner Esgate is giving a great deal of assistance in completing plans for organizing these Spanish groups. (AED)

CONTACT COMMITTEE TO AID IN SALE OF CULTURAL SERIES SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Club's Contact Committee has been enlisted to aid in the sale of subscriptions to the Center Cultural Series. At a meeting on October 16, members heard Max Bretton, the Executive Director of the Series, give a résumé of the Series program for the 1942-43 season and then answered questions put to him by the members of the Committee.

All Club members will be given the advantage of this personal interview with Mr. Bretton through their Committeeman. Ask your contact committee representative about the Series. The reduced club price is \$6.00. Remember--subscriptions may be paid for in full at the time you subscribe, or budgeted with a down payment of only \$1.00. Subscribe today at this special Club price. (FWS)

DANIEL D. FARR A NOTE OF APPRECIATION

The sudden death of Mr. Daniel D. Farr on August 30 was a severe shock to his many friends in the FCA. It seemed that he had fully recovered from a long period of illness a year or so ago. Since coming to Kansas City he had played golf frequently with others of the FCA and apparently was enjoying better health than for several years.

He was with the Federal Farm Loan Bureau when it was merged into the FCA in 1933. With his thorough legal training at Columbia University and intensive experience in private practice before coming with the Government, he was well fitted for the work of the FCA, especially for its fiscal work. He inspired confidence in all with whom he worked and, more than that, the kindest personal feelings. (EA)

CANNED GOODS ORDERS

In view of the interest shown by members in the last canned goods special, the Club feels that it should continue this service. Order lists may be obtained at the reception desk, Fourteenth Street lobby. Orders (in triplicate) accompanied by cash or check will be received in room 2201A on the 1st and 2nd of each month. Deliveries will be made at the Annex after the close of business on Saturday the week following the order. (JSK)

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS FOR VOTING IN MISSOURI

Under the laws of Missouri, an individual must be a resident of the State for 1 year next preceding an election, and a resident of the city for 60 days, before he is entitled to vote, assuming, of course, that he is an American citizen and over 21 years of age. Registration is permanent in Kansas City. (PLR)

HOW TO RETIRE ON FARM CREDIT CLUB DISCOUNTS

The Government provides a retirement system. But the Farm Credit Club way is quicker. Look down the discount list. Here's 25% discount, there 30%, then 20%, 15%, 10%. Add these up and see if you don't get 100%. And if you save 100% of your salary check how long do you suppose it would take you to retire? But it isn't necessary to stop there. Buy five times more, save 500% and retire five times as soon. (ATC)

THE LEGAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MAKES A BOW

The origin of this here Committee is a mystery. The story is that the president of the Club turned over a chip and the Committee crawled out. Its function is to keep the Club officers and directors out of jail and itself ditto. Mere members can shift for themselves. If you suffer from domestic infelicity, intemperance, or chiggers, you can come and cry on the Committee's shoulder, by appointment only. Further deponent sayeth not. (ROB)



BOWLING

October 12 - George Thomson of Legal and Jack Fowler of Mortgage Corp. set new individual highs of 225 and 571 respectively as Legal copped 2 from Co-op. whose captain, Milton Clark, sent nine men to the post in an attempt to hit on a winning combine. Meanwhile McNamee's boys, Mortgage Corp., dropped Graphic in all three with Fowler's 223 single highlighting an 859 game. Porter's 406 was high for Graphic. General Files moved into the runner-up slot by downing Accounts thrice with Henritz' 197-561 the pacer. Mehaffy collected 455 for luckless Accounts. Land Bank surprised F&A in the odd game with Morrison's 181-464 showing the way. Vidlock banged out 490 for the "ice cream boys." Personnel and Field Acctg. clipped Admin. and Reports for a pair of wins. Jim Pitts' fine 204-542 featured for Reports with Simonds firing 193-487 for Admin. Rall hit for 190-483 in the Field Acctg. win with Jacomet's 175-502 high for Reports.

October 19 - Reports, Mortgage Corp., and Co-op. registered clean sweeps over Accounts, Land Bank, and Personnel last Monday night with Field Acctg., Admin., and Legal turning in twin wins over Files, Graphic, and F&A. Jack Fowler continued to blast the maples with a fine 211-568 and took over high league average as Mortgage Corp. increased their league lead to four games. Menk's 474 topped Land Bank, who dropped into the cellar. Walt Hein's 194-501 and Warren Thompson's 180-517 helped post team totals of 840-2,337 and moved Reports into the second slot. Commissioner Sanders' 427 was instrumental in the Co-op.'s whitewashing of Personnel and pulled the winners into a sixth-place tie with Admin. who bounced Graphic twice with the aid of McClurg's 490 and Simonds' 483. Jones' 426 was high for the artists.

Uhlenhop and Ball with 429 and 416 paced Field Acctg. to a pair of victories over Files. Schlick's 453 was alone for the losers. Minus their ace anchorman, Gerald Vidlock, who may be gone for the duration, F&A went down twice at the hands of Mahlon Selvy in particular, and Legal, in general. Selby's 492 topped several nice Legal sets with Eufinger's 449 high for F&A.

Team Standing

	Won	Lost	Total Pins
Mortgage Corp.	16	2	12,949
Reports	12	6	14,059
Files	11	7	12,280
Finance & Accounts	10	8	13,159
Legal	10	8	12,682
Field Accounting	9	9	11,551
Administrative	8	10	12,448
Cooperative	8	10	10,912
Graphic	7	11	11,464
Personnel	7	11	11,326
Accounts	6	12	12,244
Land Bank	5	13	12,073

Records

H.T.G. - Finance & Accounts	881
H.T.S. - Reports	2,396
H.I.G. - G. Thomson	225
H.I.S. - Fowler	571

Averages

Fowler	167-17	Hein	167-6
Vidlock	167-7	McClurg	167-4

GOLF

Hats off to K. A. Brasfield who replaces W. H. Balderson as match play champion of the FCA golfers. Brasfield downed H. T. Mason 2 and 1 in an "F&A" finals which was held at Swope Park No. 1. A stiff wind and fast, uneven greens caused both golfers' scores to soar higher than usual. The new titleholder took an early lead and held it all the way despite the game efforts of Mason who also deserves commendation for his march to the finals. Nice going, fellows.

SIDELIGHTS

Ice skating proved the most popular among sports on the questionnaire recently distributed among employees, with over 100 persons interested. An effort is being made to secure some suitable ice rink for skating.

FCA WOMEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE

Team Standing

	Won	Lost	Total Pins
Cent. Office Acctg.	13	5	10,523
Stenographic	12	6	9,887
Personnel	11	7	9,932
Cooperative	11	7	9,262
Examination	11	7	8,720
Administrative	10	8	9,651
Bond & Cash	9	9	8,841
Short-Term Credit	8	10	8,993
Audit	8	10	8,893
Long-Term Credit	7	11	8,937
General Files	5	13	7,427
Finance & Accounts	3	15	8,673

Records

H.T.G. - Central Office Acctg.	708
H.T.S. - Central Office Acctg.	2,000
H.I.G. - Albrecht	214
H.I.S. - Albrecht	470

Averages

McGee	140.15
Ruch	138.3
Bark	135.15

All the records were shattered this past week in the Women's Bowling League. Our first 200 game was rolled when Gertrude Albrecht of Long-Term Credit climaxed her last game with 5 strikes, resulting in a 214 game. Incidentally, Long-Term took all three from Bond and Cash.

After dropping the first to Stenographic, Central Office Acctg. came back and set a new high game of 701, only to beat that record in the last game by 7 more pins. This also resulted in a high team set of 2,000. Both of these records Stenographic had enjoyed for just one week.

Cooperative moved from seventh to a tie with Personnel and Examination for third, winning all from Audit. Jimerson set the pace for Cooperative with 171-421.

Administrative is on the downward trend, losing two to Examination, which resulted in a move from fourth to sixth place. Two more luckless teams were Personnel and General Files, each of them able to salvage only one game from Short-Term Credit and F&A, respectively.

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